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KHAN and TAMERLANE held their independence as a very sacred thing, and so long as they retained the ancient military organization bequeathed to them by their fighting forebears, they were the terror and constant fear of the Chinese empire. But with the advent of the debased form of Buddhism known as Lamaism, they put off their ferocious military manners and it is no exaggeration to say that three-quarters of the men assumed the yellow robe and took on monastic vows. We need not linger over the causes for this very startling change in national characteristics. But to it was undoubtedly due the easy conquest which the early monarchs of the Ta Ching, or Manchu dynasty, were able to effect once they could settle down to the task of consolidating their newly-won empire. Gradually they forced upon the Mongolians an alien and distinctive system of civil and military policy and the dependency became a mere satrapy of the Middle Kingdom. We see, however, in the recent declaration of independence by the Mongolians the masterful hand of Russia. She it was who fomented distrust of China in the breasts of the Mongols and their Princes and when the train had been properly laid startled the slumberous dove-cotes of Peking officialdom by reviving long-forgotten commercial claims in the territory. This was before the Chinese rebellion had shaken the Manchus from their throne. What followed last November is within the memory of all students of current politics. The Khans of Outer Mongolia declared their independence, and Russia accorded them her gracious approbation. She was at pains to assure the world that she meant nothing in the way of future territorial aggrandizement in so doing. But ordinary outsiders with knowledge of Russian doings in Central Asia continue to maintain a very sceptical attitude.

Meanwhile we do not see what China can do to force Mongolia back within the pale. She cannot use force as she is not sure of her army; and besides she has not the money to defray the expenses of such a campaign as the reconquest of Mongolia would involve. Perhaps she may hope to win her way by means of peaceful infiltration, sending her merchants and traders to accomplish the task that the military could not undertake. But even then, she has to reckon with Russia. That is the sombre reflection which falls athwart the scene, view it as one will.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

H.M.S. Flurs has gone to Mira Bay.

The French Mail of the 12th March was delivered in London on the 10th April.

On pages 2 and 3 will be found an interesting article on life in Hongkong written from the standpoint of a man who was connected with an Indian regiment.

The net profit of the Bank of Taiwan, Limited, for the last half of 1917 was ¥13,318.78, to which were added ¥201,606.09, balance from the previous account. A dividend of 10 per cent. was paid, together with a bonus of ¥32,000; and ¥210,424.87 was carried forward.

The number of steam trawlers which discharge at Shimonski is reported as 65, the average number in port daily being seven or eight. It is estimated that the disbursements made there by trawlers amount to at least yen 400,000 per annum, including yen 240,000 for the wages of crews. The catches brought there in a year are valued at four million yen. The industry already exercises an important influence on the money market in Shimonski and is expected to do so more and more in the future, which promises a prosperous development.

The *Leading Light and China Coast Shipping Gazette*, which, from small beginnings nearly three years ago, has achieved a position of considerable importance in the world of shipping, has abandoned the title with which it commenced and has adopted the subtitle with the addition of *Engineering*. From the present issue, we note that it will in future be known as the *China Shipping and Engineering Gazette*, the latter department being, we understand, in the hands of a highly qualified engineer. Should the journal, which has become one of the most important for readers, expand as well in the engineering line as it has done in the shipping, a bright future ahead of it.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

A Chinese constable died yesterday from plague.

Mr. Elizabeth Richards, the first woman letter carrier, has died at Litchfield, aged 94.

Queen Victoria's favourite yacht, *Alberta*, was to be paid off on March 30 and broken up in the dockyard.

No information reached the police on Wednesday of any dead bodies having been found in the streets of the Colony.

The net proceeds of the recent military jubilee sale were \$180, which sum has been given to the Garrison Ladies Bazaar Society.

Being unable to capture Selim-Khan, the vanishing brigand chief of the Caucasus, the authorities have imprisoned 100 of his relations.

After the *Zafiro* had cleared at Manila for Iloilo on April 6, the vessel was ordered into quarantine, a Chinese cook having died of plague.

The U. S. Army transport *Warren* on arrival at Manila from Milu, Japan, was placed in quarantine, there being five of the crew ill with small-pox.

During the past twelve months the Burgess Hill (Sussex) Sparrow and Rat Club has destroyed 35,000 sparrows and vermin at a cost of £28.

We have received from Mee Cheong a very clear photographic group taken in the entrance to the German Club, with Prince Waldemar of Prussia as the central figure.

At a recent meeting of the Orger and District Rat and Sparrow Club, it was stated that a local farmer, Mr. Richard Walham, had achieved a record by killing 73 sparrows with one shot.

The Senate Committee at Washington on military affairs disapproves of the proposed reorganization of the army and so it is expected that General Wood's pet scheme will be shifted indefinitely.

The 25th Punjab is to hold their annual sports on the U.S.R.C. ground on the 17th inst. Two events are open to the Garrison—a half-mile for British troops and a half-mile for native troops.

To gather fresh material Jack London, the novelist, has shipped, as third mate of a square-rigged ship bound round the Horn to Seattle; his wife signed on as stewardess and their Japanese servant as mess-boy.

Ostrich at Colnbrook, which has stood for over 700 years and took the place of an inn burned down by Henry I., as the oldest inn in England. (The distinction is also claimed for 'The Pope's Head,' Yarmouth.)

Amongst the new discoveries at Pompeii is that of a huge "thermopolion," a kind of public-house in which hot drinks were sold. This is in a state of perfect preservation, and an exact idea can now be obtained of a Roman place of refreshment. Magnificent frescoes have also been unearthed. Five bodies of persons who had been overwhelmed by the lava flow have been found.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. E. E. Anton, of Messrs. Jardines, Matheson & Co., left Shanghai last week for England via Siberia.

Princess Patricia of Connaught has been invited to open the first Yukon Agricultural Exhibition at Dawson in August next. The formal invitation is bound in moose skin covered with Klondyke gold.

The death occurred in Japan recently of Mr. S. Mitsu, who was 63 years of age. He was president of the Mitsui Mining Company, and for a long time was prominently connected with the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

Mr. C. C. F. Cunningham, Manager of Jardines, Matheson & Co.'s Bank of China branch, has been transferred to Tientsin. Mr. McHaffie has been transferred from Hankow to fill the vacancy thus created at Hankow.

The death is announced in Bangkok of Mr. John McClure, of the staff of Messrs. Howarth, Erskine & Co., Ltd. During his long life in the East—over forty-five years—there were very few ports in the tropics he had not visited.

Lieut. F. J. Wyley, 1st R.O.Y.F.I. arrived from England per P. and O. s.s. *Palawan*, and is taken on the strength of the Command accordingly. Major L. E. B. Tykes, R.G.A., and Lieut. and Qr. Mr. L. C. Bagge, A.S.C. proceeded to England per P. and O. s.s. *Nabia* and are struck off the strength.

The breach of promise suit which Miss Gertrude MacLachlan, of San Francisco, entered against Capt. Greene, Commander of the *Chiyo Maru*, has been withdrawn. The dispute having been privately settled. Under the terms of the agreement, Miss MacLachlan is given full title to the automobile which the captain had registered in her name, a sum of money for the date for the wedding. She is also to be permitted to collect the deposit of \$1,000 which was paid by the captain in the Bank of California in the name of Gertrude E. Greene on the day the marriage licence was obtained.

## HONGKONG BUSINESS.

Last week there were 35 cases of small-pox notified in the Colony, all being Chinese, with the exception of one American, 25 of the cases terminated fatally.

There were also 35 plague cases, all Chinese, of which 22 ended in death. The other occurrences were two fatal cases of enteric fever (both Chinese), one non-fatal case of puerperal fever (Chinese), and one of diphtheria (Portuguese).

Since the beginning of the year there have been 139 cases of plague recorded, of which all but 20 have ended fatally, the survivors in every instance being Chinese.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## KAIPING MINES.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.") Sir—One of your Chinese cable reports yesterday credits Yuan Hsi Ting, President's son, with the appointment as director of the Kaiping and Lam-chow Mines. To the ordinary reader of current events in China, this item of news possesses so much more than passing interest. But to those who have closely followed the development of Kaiping from the days of the Boxer trouble, rather more than ten years ago, to the native report is attached more than transient significance.

The phoenix-like rising of Kaiping from the dead ashes of the Boxer embers into the Anglo-Belge syndicate which converted the Kaiping Mining Co. into the present day Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., with its vast ramifications of business, is matter of recent history. The subsequent futile efforts of Delegate Chang Yen-mao in the Courts of Law in England to wrest the Company from British control and management when the "Nationalisation" had permeated Chinese minds but a few years back, was another link in the chain of evidence that went to prove the China for the Chinese policy that dominated the old regime.

How far the accuracy of the above Chinese report is to be relied upon may be inferred from a paragraph appearing in your own columns which stated that Yuan Shikai and the British Minister at Peking had, on the 26th ult., concluded a preliminary agreement whereby the two Mines—the Kaiping and the Lamchow—would be amalgamated.

As is well known, the Kaiping Mines (as the property of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., as known by the Chinese) are owned by the British Company; and the Lamchow Mines claim Chinese ownership. The latter, backed, it is reported, by foreign capital, carried on their operations in opposition to the British Company, and in spite of their considerably smaller capacity were competitors in the northern market with their identical coal at lower prices.

That such competition and a largely increased demand have stimulated the British Company to augment their output and sales, the published official statistics furnish ample evidence, as the following figures show:—

	1911	1912	
Weekly period	Output	Sales	Output/Sales
1st Jan.	27,387	27,946	32,481/24,340
2nd "	20,210	30,377	32,847/28,648
3rd "	24,275	33,210	33,108/24,775
4th "	9,275	19,315	34,246/38,169
1st Feb.	Nil	4,680	33,843/30,281
2nd "	8,104	13,288	29,501/39,277
3rd "	20,308	22,684	7,084/27,492
4th "	25,845	18,496	180,477/27,990
1st March	27,472	29,618	15,775/27,668
2nd "	28,334	28,422	24,742/26,492
3rd "	28,919	30,421	30,264/34,962
4th "	28,972	30,176	31,782/34,115

Total 255,001 288,411 308,803 371,307

For the first three months of the current year, therefore, the mines have yielded 50,000 tons more of coal than the corresponding period in 1911, and have sold about 83,000 tons in excess of last year's first quarterly total, or a percentage increase of 21.80.

The producing capacity of the Lusi Mines—one of the three worked by the Chinese Engineering Co.—with its splendid electric equipment will be found equal to any demands the Northern market is likely to make on the coalfields comprised within the area of the Company's concessions.

A fusion of interest of the two competing companies has been talked about now for some time. It is not at all improbable that your earlier report to the effect that preliminary negotiations have been initiated between representatives of the British and the Chinese concerns possesses more substance in fact than that of your vernacular contemporary assigning to Yuan Hsi Ting the important office of director of the amalgamated concerns.

Shareholders in China and in London will surely make their voices heard if one of the conditions for amalgamation carries with it the stipulation of the appointment of a Chinese official, notwithstanding his being a persona grata with the President, to the supreme control of so important an undertaking like the Engineering Co. and in supercession of Major Nathan, the General Manager, under whom the Company has attained its present pre-eminent position. The drift of events will therefore be keenly watched and by none other more than those who have invested their capital in the enterprise, whose prospects look so largely in the horizon of the very few European-owned concessions in China that have retained a reasonable interest in capital sunk in the sterile soil of official appointments and disbursements.

Yours faithfully,  
HONGKONG, April 10, 1919.

## SPORTING.

## Racing.

Results for the 1st Gymkhana of the season—Saturday next, commencing 5.30 p.m.—are very satisfactory. They are as follows:

HALF MILE FLAT RACE.  
Comdr. Lamb's Failing, 155 lbs.  
Mr. Michael's Reframer, 155 lbs.  
Mr. Ellis Kadocrie's Mogul Chief, 155 lbs.

Mr. Ching's Lots of Time, 155 lbs.  
Mr. Dick Turpin's Firebrand, (late Cadzow's Loon) 155 lbs.

Mr. Brutton's Ashington, 155 lbs.  
Mr. G. M. Meyer's Rheinland, 149 lbs.  
The Gymkhana's Stakes—One Mile.

Mr. C. H. Ross' Ben Macdhui, 151 lbs.  
Messrs. Hughes and Jervois' Favourite, 151 lbs.

Messrs. Hughes and Jervois' Snow Glory (late Ben Nerva), 151 lbs.  
Mr. Gilpin's Snowdrift, 151 lbs.

Mr. Bruton's Joe Mighty, 151 lbs.  
Father O'Flynn's Rosyth, 151 lbs.  
Father O'Flynn's Demure, 146 lbs.

Mr. Hastings' Merry Scot, 146 lbs.  
Mr. A. R. Lowe's Birlingham, 146 lbs.  
Mr. Agger's Brushwood Boy, 146 lbs.

Mr. H. F. White's Defid, 146 lbs.  
Mr. Billard's Daisy (late White Daisy), 146 lbs.

Mr. T. F. Hough's Madrigal, 146 lbs.  
Mr. Ellis Kadocrie's Norman Chief, 146 lbs.

THE LADIES' NOMINATION, Three Furlongs.  
Mr. H. P. White's Defid, (Mrs Henry Humphreys) 166 lbs.

Mr. Peppy's Tregea, (Miss Kokovich) 166 lbs.

Mr. T. F. Hough's White Heather, (Mrs Chatham) 159 lbs.  
Mr. C. M. Meyer's Rheinland, (Miss E. Hasko) 152 lbs.

Capt. G. T. Brierley's Parousa, (Mrs Anderson) 152 lbs.  
Mr. A. U. Collis Brown's Kongo, (Miss Gordon) 152 lbs.

Comdr. Lamb's Failing, (Mrs Lawder) 152 lbs.  
Father O'Flynn's Delusion, (Mrs C. H. Ross) 152 lbs.

THEY' PROPOSE TO RACE.  
Capt. G. T. Brierley  
Mr. C. Lawder  
Mr. W. Loring  
Capt. Spicer  
Mr. G. O. Maxon  
Mr. M. H. Logan  
Mr. C. H. Ross  
Mr. R. F. C. Master  
Capt. Agger  
Mr. J. A. Jervois

ONE MILE FLAT RACE.  
Mr. Kenrick's Kerry, 162 lbs.  
Mr. H. P. White's Defid, 160 lbs.

Mr. Slade's Esperando, 157 lbs.  
Mr. T. F. Hough's White Heather, 157 lbs.

Mr. Michael's Reframer, 155 lbs.  
Mr. Ellis Kadocrie's Mogul Chief, 155 lbs.

Mr. Peppy's Ballybrack (late Ben-vreco) 154 lbs.  
Mr. Brutton's Ashington, 152 lbs.

Mr. Dick Turpin's Firebrand (late Cadzow's Loon) 152 lbs.  
Mr. Ching's Lots of Time, 150 lbs.

ONE AND A QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE, HANDICAP.  
Mr. Bruton's Joe Mighty, 156 lbs.  
Messrs. Hughes and Jervois' Favourite, 156 lbs.

Messrs. Hughes and Jervois' Snow Glory (late Ben Nerva), 154 lbs.  
Father O'Flynn's Rosyth, 152 lbs.

Mr. Gilpin's Snowdrift, 150 lbs.  
Mr. Billard's Daisy, (late White Daisy), 149 lbs.

Mr. T. F. Hough's Madrigal, 148 lbs.  
Mr. Ellis Kadocrie's Norman Chief, 148 lbs.

Mr. Kenrick's Kerry, 146 lbs.  
Mr. A. R. Lowe's Birlingham, 144 lbs.

Mr. Agger's Brushwood Boy, 142 lbs.  
Mr. Hastings' Merry Scot, 138 lbs.

On a fast course this morning the following times were done:

Daffodil, three-quarters, 32.2, 1.09.2, 1.41.4; last quarter 32.2.

Madrigal, three-quarters, 33.1.05, 1.38.1; last quarter 31.1.

Snowdrift, 1 mile, 40.1.14, 1.4.8.3, 2.20; last quarter 31.2.

Joe Mighty, 1 1/4 miles, 40.1.24, 2.5.3, 3.44, 3.17.2; last quarter 32.2.

Abor Chief, three-quarters, 36.1.09.3, 1.42; last quarter 31.2.

Ben Macdhui, three-quarters, 35.1.07.1, 1.38; last quarter 30.4.

Demure, 1 mile, 37.1.12, 7.48, 2.20; last quarter, 32.

Brushwood Boy, three-quarters, 35.3, 1.12, 1.42.2; last quarter 30.2.

ASHINGTON, 1 mile, 43.3.1.24, 2.01, 2.35; last quarter 34.

Lots of Time, three-quarters, 39.3, 1.44.4, 1.46.9; last quarter 31.3.

Failing, half-mile, 36.1.08; last quarter 30.

Toughy, 1 1/4 miles, 38.4, 1.08.3, 1.42.2, 1.74.2, 2.50.3; last quarter 33.

Mogul Chief, Reframer, Birlingham, 2 miles, 30.1.14, 1.43.2, 2.18.2; last quarter 30.

Finished in the order named.

In to-morrow's *China Mail* we intend to give some selections.

Billiards.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS' 82nd COY. R.G.A.

Play was resumed on Tuesday night, the first pair being Colonel Sergt. Rodgers of the Volunteers and Gunner Thomas, 82nd Coy. R.G.A. Colonel Sergt. Rodgers was the best player he has ever seen.

Heater 14 (twice), 12 (twice), 10 (twice), 8 (twice), 6 (twice), 4 (twice), 2 (twice), 1 (twice), 0 (twice).

The second game between Mr. Bishop and Gunner Cane, turned out to be another easy thing for the Volunteer, Bishop winning by 96 points.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

Following are additional results in the above tournament:—

DOUBLET HANDICAP, "A" CLASS.  
First round—E. H. Hallifax and A. R. Sutherland (acc.) beat S. E. Green and W. H. Virenah (owe 15/3/6/4, 6/1).

Second round—Comdr. Brooks and Comdr. Darley (owe 15/1) beat Comdr. Waid and Lt. Atwood (acc.) 7/5, 6/1.

SINGLES HANDICAP, "A" CLASS.  
First round—R. F. C. Master (owe 9/6) beat Col. Hamilton (acc.) 6/3, 6/3.

Second round—A. N. Jones (owe 3/6) beat A. C. E. Elborough (owe 2/6) 2/6, 6/2, 6/3.

Major Hinton (owe 4/8) beat H. E. Kugera (owe 15/1) 6/3, 6/3; W. G. Worcester (owe 6/8) beat F. J. Parker (acc.) 9/5, 6/2, 9/7.

The following have received walk-overs:—Championship Singles—Second round: Col. Hamilton (from G. A. Cooke).

Singles Handicap, "A" Class—Second round: C. O. Hickling (from G. A. Cooke).

Professional Pairs—First round: G. Wilcox and C. B. Johnson (from Capt. Simson and Lt. Paris).

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

For stealing a quantity of fat from the s.s. *Charles Hardman*, a Chinese, was this morning sentenced to six weeks imprisonment and four hours' work. He was also ordered to undergo a like term of imprisonment for returning from banishment.

At the Magistrate's this afternoon the case in which an American named Hodley, otherwise Blaine, was charged on remand with having arrived in the Colony in possession of several pieces of valuable jewellery believed to have been stolen in Shanghai, again came under notice. Inspector Collett stated that the defendant was wanted by the police there and he understood that he was willing to go.

At the Magistrate's this morning before Mr. Irving, a Filipino named Antonio Santos Cordova was charged with obtaining by means of false pretences. It appears that he made use of a chit book belonging to Messrs. Kruse and Co., but passed over that name a piece of paper, making the book appear to belong to Messrs. Butterfield and Syre. He obtained the bottles of whisky by sending the order on a piece of notepaper belonging to Messrs. Butterfield and Syre. He was sentenced to two months imprisonment.

"FLORODORA"

"Florodora" is an old favourite among lovers of musical comedy, and its revival at the Theatre Royal on Wednesday evening by the Bandmann Opera Company attracted a large audience. The play went capitally, scores were frequent, while the chorus work was particularly good. Mr. Fred Coyne received a hearty welcome back when he made his reappearance in the Company. He played the part of Orvis W. Gillette, the millionaire, splendidly. Bobby Rogers as Anthony Treadwell had a solid air to his own part, and he kept the audience in a state of laughter when he occupied the stage. As Dolores Mrs. Marylyn Tompkins, again opened her season with her beautiful singing and Miss Williams Farnes as Frank Abernethy was very happy with his part.

To-night "The King's Bride" fills the bill.

Your French opera—M. M. Dupuis, Vallon, Desmet, and Dumont—have been downed while out boxing at the junction of the South and Diamond.



## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Continued.)

## THE AMERICAN INUNDATION.

## FIVE TOWNS FLOODED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
London, April 11.

Reuter's correspondent at Memphis wires that 2,000 square miles, including half a million acres of rich farm lands in north-east Arkansas, have been flooded as a result of the breaking of the main levee at Golden Lake.

Five towns are covered with water for a depth varying from three to ten feet, and other towns with which communication is cut off are probably also inundated.

Vast damage has been done to live stock, etc.

## ANOTHER BYE-ELECTION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 11.

Capt J. A. Morrison, Unionist M. P. for East Nottingham, has resigned his seat.

[Note.—The retiring member has sat for East Nottingham since 1910 and from 1900 to 1908 was member for Wilton, Wilt. He was formerly in the Grenadier Guards and has seen service in the Sudan and South Africa. At the last election he had a majority of 1,470 over the Liberal candidate, Mr D. Stewart-Smith.—Ed. C.M.]

## NAVAL COMMANDS.

## IMPORTANT NEW APPOINTMENTS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 11.

It is officially announced that Admiral Meux succeeds Admiral Moore in the command at Portsmouth, while Admiral Milne succeeds Admiral Fox in command of the Mediterranean Squadron.

[Note.—Admiral Meux is well-known in Hongkong, being Sir John's first Chief of the China Squadron from 1908 to 1910. He assumed the name of Meux in accordance with the terms of Lady Meux's will by which he came into a big fortune. It is interesting to note that Admiral Sir Arthur Moore, whom he succeeds, was also previously in command of the China Squadron. Admiral Sir A. R. Milne was formerly in command of the Second Division of the Home Fleet.—Ed. C.M.]

## TURKEY'S NAVAL ADVISER.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 11.

Rear Admiral Limpus succeeds Rear Admiral Williams as Naval Adviser to Turkey.

## BELFEST'S DEMONSTRATION.

## PRESS VIEWS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 10.

The Unionist papers are enthusiastic over the magnificent demonstration at Belfast, which they say proves the unshrinking expression by Ulster of a resolve to resist Home Rule to the end.

The Radical sympathies with Ulster's fears, while scornful of the Conservative policy, and are confident that the safeguards in the Government's Bill will be the most effective answer to yesterday's demonstration.

## HAPPY ENGLAND.

## OPTIMISM FOLLOWS STRIKE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 10.

Coal has fallen 2/- a ton, but high prices are expected to rule for some time owing to the necessity of repairs to the pits, the congestion on the railways and the difficulties of delivery.

The manufacturing centres anticipate a boom in trade for a considerable time after the pits are re-opened.

A permanent effect of the strike is expected to be a greater co-operation in the railways, and possibly the non-restoration of trains which were previously run at a loss, but which it was hitherto impossible to withdraw.

## THE IRRECONCILABLES.

LATER.

Since the order to return to work there have been various sporadic cases of actual or threatened violence by the irreconcilables.

The 16th Lancers were to-day dispatched to Wigan owing to the aggressive attitude of the process-able who are intimidating the miners now working.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Continued.)

## THE TRADE COMMISSION.

## ARRANGING THE DETAILS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 10.

Reuter learns that the Royal Commissioners who are to enquire into the trade resources of the Empire will meet in London shortly to arrange details of work and the order of the visits to the different Colonies.

It is expected that Australia will be first visited, the tour to occupy about three years. A report will then be prepared, probably in London.

The Imperial and Colonial Governments will share the expenses, and the scope and components of the Commission will remain as decided at last year's Imperial Conference, when India and the Crown Colonies were unrepresented, and as far as is known there have been no modifications in these respects.

## FISCAL QUESTIONS BARRED.

LATER.

It transpires from statements made in Parliament to-night, that the terms of reference of the Trade Commissioners will follow the lines of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's resolution at the Imperial Conference, with a slight amendment excluding fiscal questions therefrom.

The terms of reference were drafted by Mr Asquith and Mr Harcourt with the concurrence of the Dominions.

[Note.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier's resolution at the Imperial Conference last year was to the effect that His Majesty should be asked to appoint a Royal Commission representing the United Kingdom and the Dominions "with a view of investigating and reporting up to the natural resources of each part of the Empire represented, the development attained and attainable, and the facilities for production, manufacture and distribution, the trade of each part with the others and with the outside world, the food and the sources thereof, and the means of transport, available; to what extent, if any, the trade between each of the different parts has been affected by existing legislation in each, either beneficially or otherwise. The resolution was adopted with an addition suggested by Mr Harcourt to the effect that "and by what methods, consistent with the existing fiscal policy of each part, the trade of each part with the others may be improved and extended."—Ed. C.M.]

## DEATH OF DR DIVERS.

## LATE OF TOKYO UNIVERSITY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 10.

The death has occurred of Dr Edward Divers, who was well-known in Japan.

[Note.—Dr. E. Divers was one of the band of clever Irishmen who made great careers for themselves in the Far East during the last quarter of the nineteenth century. As Professor of Chemistry in the Tokyo University he spent many laborious years and he left a big reputation for original research behind him when he retired a few years ago. One of his daughters married Mr E. W. Tilden, for a long time Agent in Hongkong of the Pacific Mail Company, and another is the Countess de Pourtales. Dr. Divers's evidence as an expert in the Carrow poisoning case in Yokohama some thirteen years ago, was one of the most sensational of any of the facts placed before Judge and jury in that famous trial.—Ed. C.M.]

## THE ARMY IN EGYPT.

## "DANGEROUSLY LOW."

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 10.

The Times is publishing a series of articles upon the British Army in Egypt. It speaks in the highest terms of Major-General Sir J. G. Maxwell's able leadership, the keenness of the officers and the splendid training and vigour of the men, but opines that the present strength of the Army of occupation is dangerously low, especially in view of possibilities arising out of the Turco-Italian war.

The journal urges that when the troops are withdrawn from South Africa they should be sent to Egypt, which is an incomparable training ground, and one which is healthy for British troops and moreover inexpensive.

## RECIPROCITY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 10.

An Ottawa telegram states that the West Indian representatives and the Government of Canada have signed a reciprocal trade agreement.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Continued.)

## CHINA HAPPENINGS.

Wuk Tze Tai To Service.

SHANGHAI, April 10.

The consuls for Britain, Japan, France and Russia have held a meeting at Hankow and discussed the question of importation of ammunition by other nations.

Tang Shao-yi has chosen the following Ministers to foreign countries—Britain, Wan Chun-yun; America, Wu Ting-fang; Germany, Sun Po-chi; Japan, Tso-Ya-lin.

Yuan Shih-kai has appointed Hsin Chun-hsun as Commissioner to arrange matters in Mongolia and Tibet.

Ching Pih-kong has requested a sum of \$4,000,000 to pay for the construction of new cruiser; otherwise he cannot bring back the cruiser Haischi from England.

Yuan Shih-kai has appointed Chang Shao-chin to Nanjing to command the troops there. Chang arrived yesterday.

Sun Yat-sen arrived at Wuchang on the 9th inst. and was given a warm reception.

## THE TRIPOLITAN WAR.

## POWERS APPROACH TURKEY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 10.

A wire from Constantinople states that the Powers have agreed on the terms of their request to the Porte regarding the termination of the war between Italy and Turkey, and will point out the desirability of peace in the interests of Europe generally. They will also request the Porte to signify the conditions on which Turkey is prepared to terminate hostilities in view of the Powers offering mediation.

## COMBATING HOME RULE.

## THE UNIONIST POLICY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 10.

On the eve of the introduction of the Home Rule Bill, the Unionist organisation has published a book of 350 pages containing special articles by leaders and others who have made a study of Home Rule.

The book deals with every aspect of the question, including financial, military, naval and religious. The fact is emphasised that the Unionist policy is not merely a policy of hostility to Home Rule, but a constructive policy for the regeneration of Ireland.

Mr Bonar Law writes the introduction, and Mr Balfour deals with the historical aspects of the question. Other contributors include Mr Walter Long and Sir Edward Carson.

Recent aggressive Papal legislation, including the *Ne Temere* Decree and the last *Moto Proprio*, figure largely in the articles from the religious point of view.

## HOTEL MANAGER ASSAULTED.

Mr Schmidt, the manager of the Grand Hotel, was assaulted at about half past seven this morning by a coolie in his employ. It seems that he had occasion to remonstrate with the coolie, who was making unnecessary noise by sweeping, Mr Schmidt being afraid that some of the guests would be disturbed. The coolie apparently resented being spoken to, and without warning, struck the manager on the head with a brush. He then seized a table-knife and with it inflicted a wound in Mr Schmidt's forehead, necessitating the insertion of two stitches.

Before Mr Malbourne at the Magistrate's this afternoon a coolie stated that he saw the complainant and the defendant quarrelling, during which he noticed the complainant strike the defendant. An official at the Government Civil Hospital gave evidence that the complainant went to that institution to have the injury to his forehead dressed. The wound was about six inches in length.

Other evidence was given after which the magistrate dismissed the case.

## SIR HENRY MAY

The following letter signed "Another Old China Hand" appears in *Truth* under date of March 6th.—While in your article on Sir Henry May (who promotion to the first-class Governorship of Hongkong after only one year's previous service, a Governor at Fiji has aroused such unfavourable comment) you did not question his qualifications, you could easily have done so, and perhaps a reference to another "Old China Hand" may be as illuminating as one to your correspondent in your issue of February 28th or to "Who's Who."

It is true that Sir Henry May (as he prefers to be called, not Sir Francis) has had thirty-one years' experience in Hongkong, and probably does know every resident, British or Chinese, there, as his defender states; but has he used that knowledge for the betterment of either the British or Chinese residents when he was Colonial Secretary or Acting Governor? I am sure there are few "in the know" who can say "yes" to that question. To him Hongkong owed the short-sighted and unwise policy of the laws relating to prostitutes, which scattered them all over the colony and made them a public scandal throughout the Far East; to him belonged the credit of defeating the Bill for the registration and licensing of Chinese servants—a thing notoriously badly needed, and one which the colony has suffered from the lack of ever since. As Acting Governor he so far furthered British interests as seriously to impair the value of two of its most important branches through his policy of invariably showing favouritism to "Cadet" officials.

Sir Henry may perhaps be the man for Hongkong during the disturbance in China, as you criticise him, but that would only be because he seems to be in sympathy with Chinese officialdom. It was he who drove certain Portuguese clerks out of the service—who by long and faithful service had risen to positions of trust—and replaced them by Chinese, in whom no faith or trust could be reposed. The last case of this kind, I may mention, earned for him a well-deserved rap over the knuckles from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, who telegraphed ordering the immediate reinstatement of the clerk in question. It is interesting to note that while he thus impaired the efficiency of certain Departments he was careful to retain the services of all the senior non-Chinese in his own and all other Departments presided over by a "Cadet" officer.

Sir Henry was undoubtedly popular with the horse-racing and yachting part of the community in the Colony, but not so with the Colonial officials, who were not in favour of his *Reform* methods of government. Lady May is so charming and generally beloved that she may reconcile many to her husband's return to Hongkong; but it is rather amusing to read in the columns of the *Morning Post* devoted to Colonial Intelligence words to the effect that great satisfaction is expressed in Hongkong at the appointment, etc., etc. This is obviously an inspired reply to your original paragraph, as there can be no possible means of knowing in London what the local feeling may be. No one would pay several pounds to cable to this effect, except one who thereby "protests too much" to prove its truth. But even if Sir Henry May is popular, is popularity to promote a man rather than performance?

## WEST RIVER NOTES.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]  
Wuchow has kept remarkably quiet for the last few weeks. What is more surprising is that the whole province of Kwang Sai has remained so settled for such a length of time. Of course we are always hearing of small troubles such as minor robberies, &c., but there has been no organized fighting such as we hear of in other places.

In Wuchow itself, the officials seem to control things very well indeed. Soldiers continue to be stationed on the surrounding hills so that the place is well guarded. This seems to be a wise precaution and at any rate allays any fear of a sudden invasion. The people are still afraid that we may have trouble from some of the ex-soldiers recently disbanded in Canton. We hope that they will not disturb our peace.

A simultaneous mission of the Wesleyan, Baptist, and Alliance missions has just been concluded. There have been large and attentive audiences, and a spirit of enquiry has been created among the people. Hostility toward the churches so frequently noticed in the past seems to have given way to a spirit of friendliness.

We regret to say that we are losing Mr and Mrs Cross from the Port. Mr Cross has held the appointment of Commissioner of Customs here for the past few months but is now transferred to Shanghai. They leave with all the good wishes of the foreign community.

We understand that Nanning is to be made the Capital of the Province in stead of Kowloon. There will be many advantages in this change.

Just now we are having quite a cold spell. There has been some heavy rain and the river is rising rapidly.

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HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.

HIGHEST Class, fastest and most luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having splendid accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW  
AND RETURN.

(Occupying 8 to 10 Days).

STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
HAIMUN	Capt. J. S. Rouch	FRIDAY, 12th Apr., at 11 a.m.
HAITANG	Capt. J. W. Evans	TUESDAY, 16th Apr., at 11 a.m.
HAICHING	Capt. W. C. Pasmore	FRIDAY, 19th Apr., at 11 a.m.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.  
(Occupying 3 Days).

STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
HAIMUN	Capt. A. H. Stewart	SUNDAY, 14th April, at 10 a.m.
		WEDNESDAY, 17th April, at 11 a.m.

Steamers will arrive at and depart from the Company's Wharf near Blake Pier.

For Freight and Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS, LAFRAIK & CO.,  
General Managers.

## PHILIPPINE STEAMSHIP Co.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
CAIRO	4000	M. O. Smith	Manila, Mangrove	Saturday, April 20, at 5 p.m.
SUIH	4000	S. A. O'Connell	Manila, Mangrove, India & Cebu	Tuesday, April 23, at 5 p.m.

For Freight and Passage, apply to  
Shaw, Colson & Co., General Managers.

## Shipping

## THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

REGULAR SERVICE FROM HONGKONG TO  
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, TACOMA  
and PORTLAND (Or.),  
via SHANGHAI & JAPAN PORTS.

Carrying Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points.

STEAMER	Tons	CAPTAIN	ON OR ABOUT
RYGJA	—	—	April 18th.

To be followed by other steamers of the Company at regular intervals.  
The BANK LINE Steamers are of the Newest Design, have most Commodious Accommodation and are fitted throughout with Electric Light and Wireless Telegraphy.Special Parcel Express to American and Canadian Ports.  
Will call at AMOY and KANGUN if sufficient inducement offers.For Rates or Freight or Passage apply to  
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## INDIAN AFRICAN LINE.

CARGO carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (NATAL), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN with transhipment at COLOMBO to steamers of the Indian African Line.

NEXT SAILING.  
FROM HONGKONG. 27th April. s.s. 'Tymeric,' 11th May.For Rates and further information, apply to  
THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,  
(MANAGING AGENTS),  
Hongkong, April 1, 1912.

## CONFERENCE-WEIR LINE.

REGULAR SERVICE FROM CALCUTTA TO RIVER PLATE.

THE Steamers of this Service provide Quickest transit from the Orient to the Argentine.

Cargo carried on through Bills of Lading from Hongkong to River Plate Ports transhipping to Conference-Weir Line steamers at Calcutta.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.  
FROM HONGKONG. End January. End February.For Rates and further particulars apply to  
THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,  
(MANAGING AGENTS).

## New Line of Steamers

South African Ports.

## ORIENTAL AFRICAN LINE

REGULAR Direct Service from Japan, China, and Straits to Beira, Delagoa Bay, Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth and Cape Town, calling at Mauritius if sufficient inducement offers, and affording the Quickest Freight Transport from the Orient to South Africa.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.  
S.S. DUNERIG, 3,000 tons, to be despatched 1st Half of May.And regularly thereafter.  
For Rates of Freight or regularly Passage apply to  
THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,  
(Managing Agents),  
Hongkong, August 25, 1911.

## THE EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP CO. LIMITED.

MAIL SERVICE

TO AUSTRALIA.

MAIL SCHEDULE  
(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
ST. ALBANS	May 3.	April 27th, at Noon.
EASTERN	May 17.	May 27th, at Noon.
ALDENHAM	May 31.	June 6th, at Noon.
EMPIRE	—	June 20th, at Noon.

The above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried.

For further particulars, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO  
Agent.  
Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

## THOS. COOK &amp; SON.

TOURIST STEAMSHIP & FORWARDING AGENTS,  
BANKERS, etc.

Head Office for the Far East: 15, DES VERTS ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

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TICKETS supplied to EUROPE by the principal STEAMSHIP LINES and TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

TOURS arranged in ALL PARTS of the World.  
BAGGAGE collected, forwarded and insured at lowest rates.  
LETTERS & CREDIT CERTIFICATES ISSUED and CASHED.  
FOREIGN MONIES exchanged.  
Head Office: LUDGATE CHURCH, LONDON, E.C.

Hongkong, April 2, 1908.

## Shipping

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD.

(Under Mail Contract with the Austrian Government)  
MONTHLY FAST DIRECT SERVICE TO TRIESTE  
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID.S.S. KOBLENZ, 9000 tons, will leave above on April 18th, at 6 p.m.  
S.S. BOHEMIA, 7000 tons, will leave above on May 19th, at 6 p.m.

Superior accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class and Steamer passengers. Cheap rates. Hongkong-Trieste Venice, 250 1st class, 230 2nd class. No surtax, no tips, no inside cabins, excellent cuisine. Doctor, Laundry, Wireless Telegraphy.

TO SHANGHAI.  
S.S. BOHEMIA, 7000 tons, will leave above on May 19th, at Daylight.MONTHLY ORDINARY SERVICE.  
S.S. E. FRANZ FERDINAND, 12,000 tons, will leave for YOKOHAMA & KOBE, via SHANGHAI, about 28th April.

S.S. CHINA, 11,000 tons, will leave for TRIESTE, FIUME and VENICE, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, CALCUTTA, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, on the 1st May.

These steamers are fitted with comfortable Casse, accommodation for Saloon passengers. Cheap rates. Hongkong-Trieste Venice, 243 no surtax, excellent cuisine. Doctor, Wireless Telegraphy.

ROUND THE WORLD TICKETS ARE ISSUED.  
Cargo is taken at through rates to all ports in the Adriatic, the Levant and Black Sea, also to North and South America. For information apply to  
SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents,  
PRINCES' BUILDING.

Hongkong, January 3, 1912.

## OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED  
SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—  
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE

Connecting at TACOMA with  
THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & PUGET SOUND RAILWAY  
AND  
THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL RAILWAY.

(The only direct train service, without transshipment, also shortest and fastest route from the Pacific Coast to CHICAGO.)

Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points in the United States, America and Canada, also to the Principal Ports in Mexico, Central and South America.

For	Steamers	Tons (gross reg)	Leaves
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama & Yokohama	TACOMA MARU	6178	Thursday, 16th Apr., at 1 p.m.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Yokohama	PANAMA MARU	6059	Tuesday, 30th Apr., at 1 p.m.

1st-class passage from Hongkong to Victoria, Tacoma, Seattle, Vancouver, Portland and San Francisco, G. \$110.

The Co.'s newly built steamers have fair speed. Superior accommodation for Steamer passengers situated AMIDSHIP. A limited number of Cabin passengers carried at low rates. Best adapted rooms for carrying Silk, Treasure and Porcelain. Special attention given towards Express connections.

## HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA SERVICE

For	Steamers	Leaves
KEELUNG (Direct)	YERIMO MARU	FRIDAY, 12th Apr., at 4 p.m.
TAMSUI via SWATOW & AMOY DALUIN MARU	—	SUNDAY, 14th Apr., at Noon.
ANPING, via SWATOW & SOSHU MARU, AMOY	—	WEDNESDAY, 17th Apr., at 10 a.m.

Fair speed, Superior passenger accommodation. Electric light throughout.

First class cuisine.  
For information of Freight, Passage, Sailings, etc., apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

S. HIROI, Manager.

## DIRECT ROUTE TO AMERICA

## GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

S.S. 'MINNESOTA'  
Capacity 28,000 Tons. Length 320 Feet. Beam 73 Feet.  
21,000 Tons Gross Register. 34,500 Tons Displacement.  
EQUIPPED WITH WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.  
(CAPT. T. W. GARLOCK).

SAILS FROM HONGKONG ON FRIDAY, May 3rd, at Noon.

FOR  
SEATTLE via NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

LUXURIOUS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATION—Saloon and Steerage-rooms (all outside rooms), Dining room, Library, Smoking room, Nursery, Laundry, Telephone, etc.

Direct connection at Seattle with Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways for all points in the United States, Canada and Europe.

Cabin passengers may travel by rail if desired between ports of Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki, without extra charge.

For full information regarding freight or passage apply to  
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, PRINCE'S BUILDING,  
Hongkong, November 1, 1911.

## ENO'S 'FRUIT SALT'

A HOUSEHOLD REMEDY FOR

All Functional Derangements of the Liver, Temporary Constipation arising from Alcohol, Indigestion, Bloating, Flatulence, Headache, Stomachic, Oppression or Feeling of Malaise, Cholera, Vomiting, Heartburn, Sourness of the Stomach, or Constipation. It is a Refreshing and Invigorating Beverage, most invaluable to Travelers, Emigrants, Soldiers, and Residents in Tropical Climates.

Bottles of Fruit Salt are the Property of the Envo, London, and are sold by all Chemists, Grocers, and Druggists. There is no doubt that where it has been taken in cases of indigestion, it has been found to be of great service.

CAUTION—Beware of cheap imitations. The name ENO'S 'FRUIT SALT' is prominent on the wrapper, and is blown in the glass of each bottle. The name ENO'S 'FRUIT SALT' is also blown in the glass of each bottle.

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## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO, VIA  
PORTS & SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO from San Francisco, via Ports &amp; Shanghai, are notified to send to their Bill of Lading, the counter signature, and to take instructions for delivery of cargo from Shanghai.

Cargo, including the disbursements, will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after FRIDAY, April 12th, 1912, at Noon will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from Consignee's Office.

Cargo remaining undelivered on FRIDAY, April 12th, 1912, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance charges will be collected.

All claims and other claims damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godown on MONDAY, April 15th, 1912, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be filed on or before May 9th, 1912, otherwise they will not be recognized.

FRED J. HARTMAN,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, April 10, 1912.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE Co.'s Steamship, 'Myoko Maru', having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong &amp; Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be stored and must be marked and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared before the 15th April will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignee and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 10, 1912.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

STEAMER VILLE DE LA CROIX

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO from London, via Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, and Constantinople, are notified to send to their Bill of Lading, the counter signature, and to take instructions for delivery of cargo from Shanghai.

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Cargo remaining on board after FRIDAY, April 12th, 1912, at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 10, 1912.

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FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship, Captain C. FRED LARSEN, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong &amp; Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be stored and must be marked and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 10, 1912.

## THE CHINA MAIL

TYPHOON

GUIDE

Enabling one to locate the center of a Typhoon.

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